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### **SUG Operations**







## The CrossCountry Acquisition

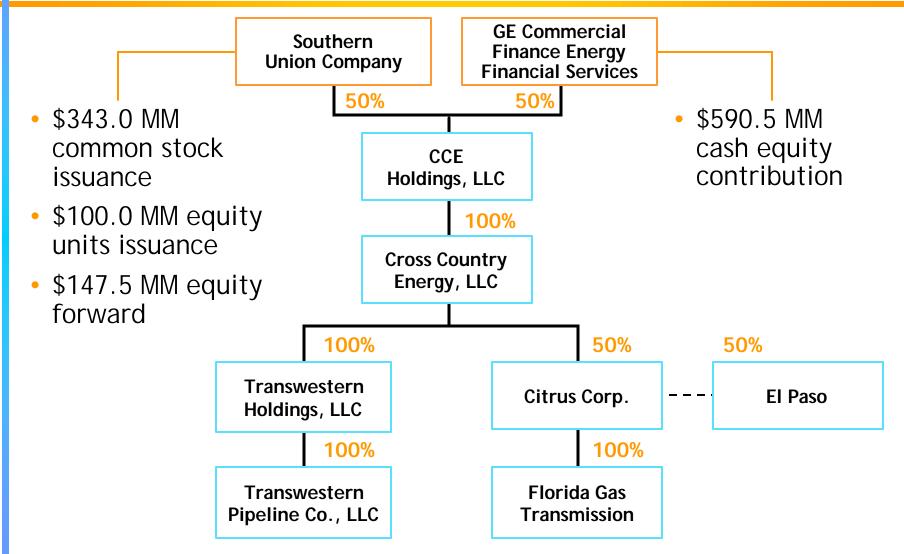


### **Transaction Highlights**

- On November 17, 2004, CCE Holdings, LLC completed its acquisition of 100% of the equity interests of CrossCountry Energy, LLC from Enron Corp for \$2.45 billion
  - CCE Holdings is 50% owned by SUG
    - The remaining 50% is owned by GE Commercial Finance Energy Financial Services and other investors
  - Concurrently sold partnership interests in Northern Border Partners to ONEOK for \$175 million
- Key transaction elements
  - SUG to operate under a management services agreement
  - Retention of key CrossCountry executives as part of new integrated pipeline management team
  - Contractual call provisions facilitate potential for increased SUG ownership
  - Investment grade rating throughout CrossCountry/CCE Holdings family with limited upstream dividend restrictions

# **CrossCountry Acquisition Structure**







### **Strategic Rationale**

- Transforming acquisition of franchise assets that establishes SUG's leadership in the regulated natural gas industry
- Complementary North American energy infrastructure with access to key end-user markets and important sources of natural gas supply
  - Southern California, Florida and Southwestern United States are among the fastest growing natural gas consumption markets
  - Well-positioned to provide transportation services for growing San Juan and Rocky Mountain production
  - Enhanced access to anticipated LNG imports along Gulf Coast and from the Bahamas
- High-quality asset base and experienced management team
- Integration synergies of \$25 million expected with existing operations, 70% occurring in 2005 and the remainder in 2006
- Stable cash flow and earnings profile with meaningful organic growth opportunities



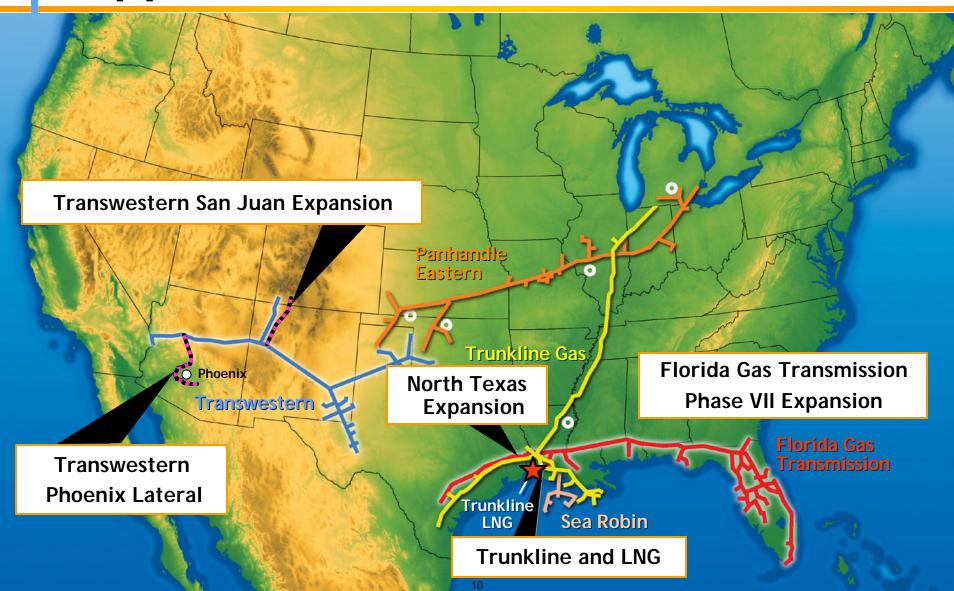
## **CrossCountry Energy**

	Transwestern Pipeline <sup>(1)</sup>	Florida Gas Transmission <sup>(1)</sup>	
CCE Ownership Interest:	100%	50%	
Pipeline Miles:	2,400	5,000	
Daily Transportation Capacity (Bcf/d):	2.0	2.1	
Key Supply Basins:	San Juan/Permian/ Anadarko/ Rockies	Onshore & Offshore Gulf Coast	
Primary Markets Served:	California/Arizona/Texas	Florida	
Avg. Remaining Contract Life	: 3 years	11 years	

<sup>(1)</sup> Operational figures represent 100% of the respective operations of each of Transwestern Pipeline Company and Florida Gas Transmission.



### **Opportunities for Growth**

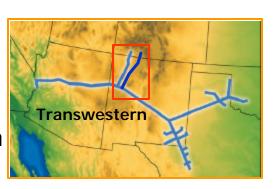


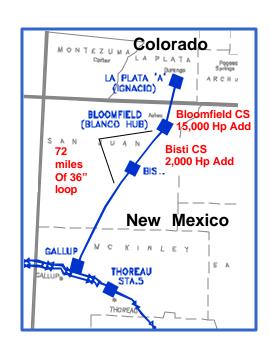
# Transwestern San Juan Expansion Project



- 375 MMcf/d increase in San Juan lateral capacity, increasing total lateral capacity to 1,235 MMcf/d
- 72 miles of 36" looping; incremental horsepower at existing compressor sites
- Total capital expenditures of approximately \$150 million
- 310 MMcf/d of capacity has been committed under 10-year contracts
  - Additional 16 MMcf/d contracted for one-year
  - Negotiations underway for remaining 24-34 MMcf/d Nov-Mar & 49 MMcf/d Apr-Oct capacity
- In service date of May 2005

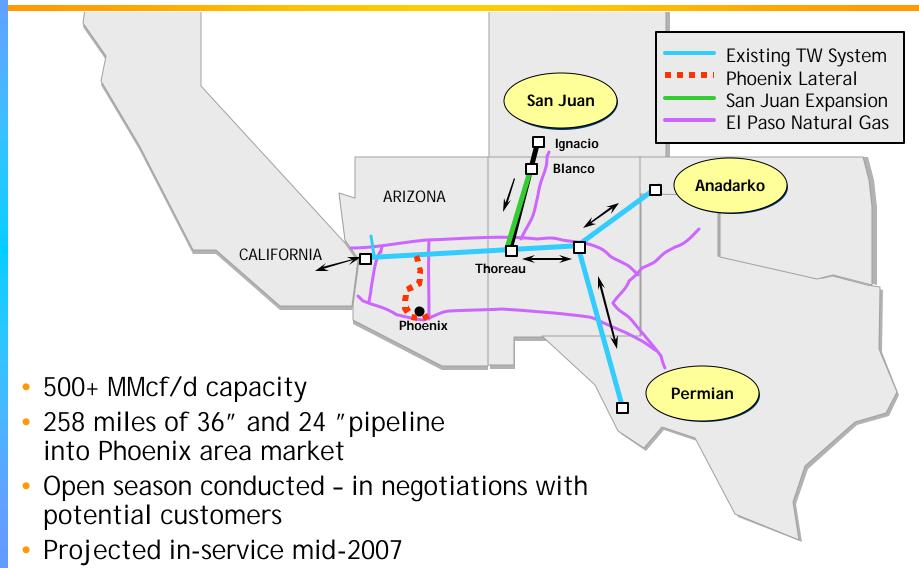
Projected Annual Revenues					
(\$ in millions)	Year 1-3		Year 4-10		
(Volume in MMcf/d)	Vol	Revenue	Vol	Revenue	
Committed revenues	323	\$ 30.9	320	\$ 27.7	
Expected revenues	52	\$ 5.0	55	\$ 4.7	





# Transwestern Pipeline Phoenix Lateral

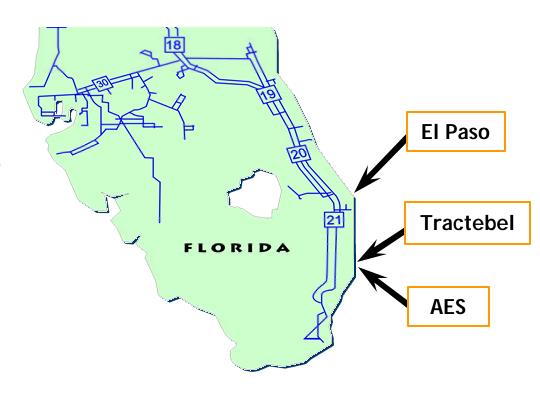




### Florida Gas Transmission Expansion Opportunities



- Completed Phase VII open season
  - Increase capacity by 100 to 160 MMcf/d
  - Projected cost of \$60 to \$100 million
  - In service 2Q or 3Q 2007
- Reviewing proposed Bahamas LNG projects







## Panhandle Energy



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**Panhandle Energy** 

Pipeline Miles: 10,000

Daily Transportation

Capacity (Bcf/d): 5.4

Key Supply Basins: Gulf Coast, Deepwater, Midcontinent,

Rockies, and global LNG

Primary Markets Served: Midwest, Canada and Northeast

Markets through interconnects

Avg. Remaining Length of Contract: 3 years - PEPL

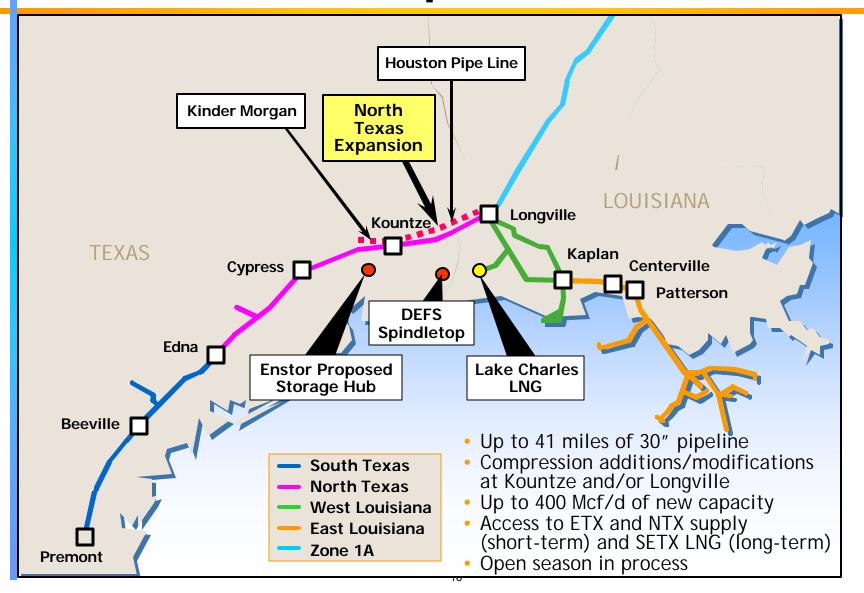
10 years - Trunkline

3 years - Storage

Storage Assets: 72 Bcf owned, 15 Bcf leased



### North Texas Expansion





### **Trunkline LNG Company**



Above: Artist's rendering of expanded facility.

- One of North America's largest operating facilities
- Received 47% of total U.S. LNG imports in 2003<sup>(1)</sup>
- Fully contracted with high credit quality counterparty— BG Group—until 2023
- 630 MMcf/d baseload sendout
- 6.3 Bcf storage
- Ability to handle high calorific cargoes

### Trunkline LNG Is the Leading Player in LNG Sector

(1) Energy Information Administration's 2004 Short-Term Energy Outlook



### **LNG Expansion Projects**

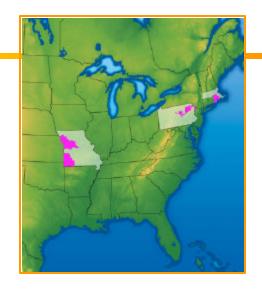
#### **Overview**

- Total project costs of approximately \$250 million excluding capitalized interest
- All expansion capacity and sendout fully contracted to BG through 2023
- Projects to generate approximately \$80 million in annual revenues with a significant portion falling to EBITDA
- Projects will begin contributing to earnings in CY 2005 and will have full-year earnings impact in CY 2007

#### **Progress**

- Phase I
  - Construction underway
  - Double sendout capacity to 1.2 Bcf/d
  - Increase storage capacity to 9.0 Bcf
  - -In service by December 2005
- Phase II
  - -FERC approved September 2004
  - Increase sendout capacity to 1.8
     Bcf/d, with peak of 2.1 Bcf/d
  - -Completion by mid-calendar 2006
- Trunkline Loop
  - -FERC approved September 2004
  - Increase takeaway capacity to accommodate expansions
  - -Completion by July 2005

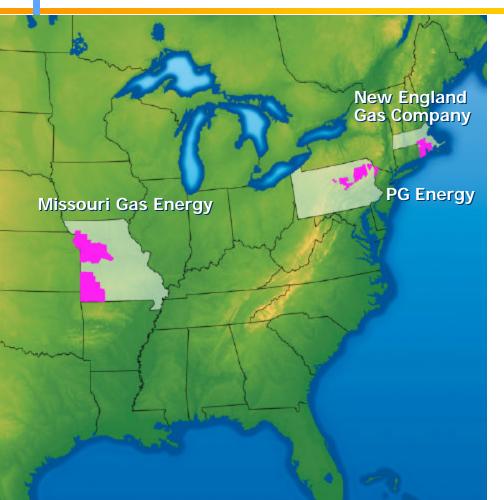




### **Local Gas Distribution Divisions**

### Natural Gas Distribution Assets Overview





- Limited commodity price risk
- History of constructive ratemaking, sharing and recovery mechanisms
  - Weather normalization in Rhode Island
- Highlights:
  - Serve nearly one million end-user customers
  - Retail sales: 112 Bcf
  - Transportation volumes:61 Bcf

### Stable, Diversified Cash Flows

## Geographic Diversification Unified by Strong Operations



### Missouri Gas Energy



- Headquartered in Kansas City, MO
- Serves approximately 500,000 customers
- Serves 34 counties throughout MO
- Regulated by the Missouri Public Service Commission
- MGE received a \$22.5 million rate increase effective October 2004

#### **PG Energy**



- Headquartered in Wilkes-Barre, PA
- Serves approximately 160,000 customers
- Serves 13 counties in northeastern and central PA
- Regulated by the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission

### **New England Gas Co.**



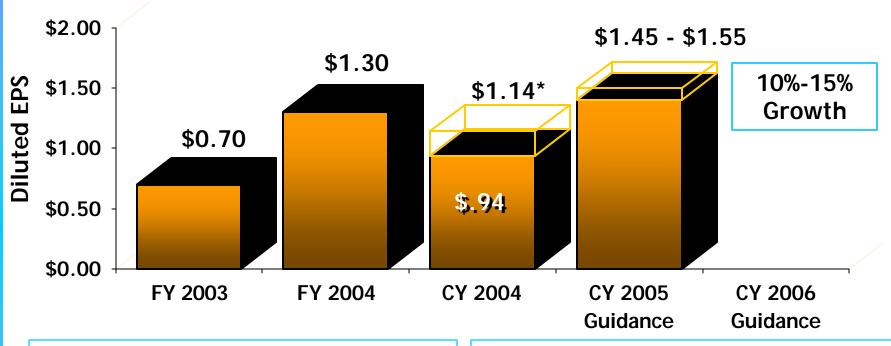
- Headquartered in Providence, RI
- Serves approximately 300,000 customers
- Serves the state of Rhode Island and southeastern Massachusetts
- Regulated by the RI Public Utilities Commission and the Massachusetts Department of Telecommunications & Energy



## **Financial Highlights**

### Strong Earnings Growth Profile





#### **Key 2005 Estimate Assumptions**

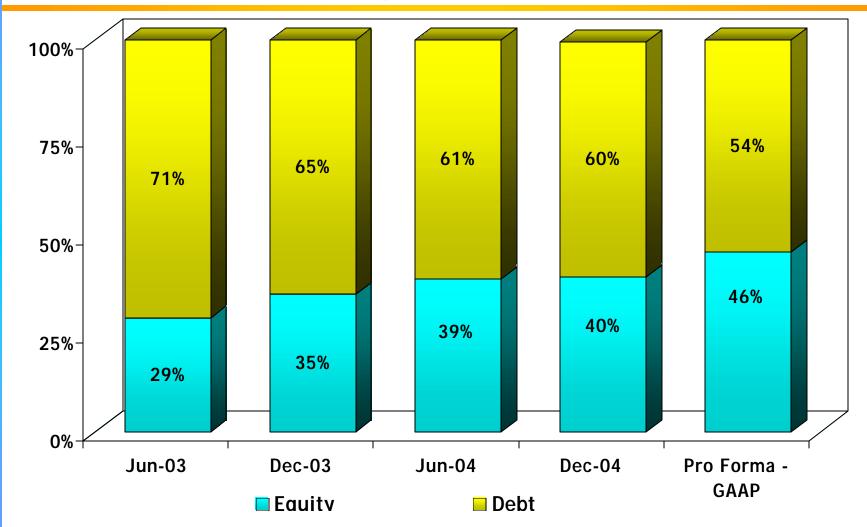
- CCEH contribution for full year
- \$17.5 million of synergies
- Full year of MGE rate case

#### **2006 Growth Drivers**

- LNG expansions
- Remainder of synergies
- San Juan expansion

<sup>\* -</sup> Excludes certain non-recurring and non-cash charges.

# Reducing Leverage - Consolidated Capitalization



Note: Total debt/total capitalization includes preferred stock and convertible equity units as 100% equity. Dec-04 debt balance excludes short-term bridge loan. Pro Forma GAAP adjusts for the equity and equity unit offerings in Feb. 2005 with net proceeds repaying short term debt.



### Why Invest in SUG?

- One of the largest pure-play regulated natural gas companies in the United States
  - 18,000 miles of interstate pipelines serving customers from coast to coast/transportation of over 10% of total US consumption
  - Three distribution divisions serving 1 million customers
  - Owns and operates the only LNG receipt terminal on the U.S. Gulf Coast
- Proven acquisition track record
  - Successful integration of five acquisitions since 1999
  - Focus on regulated energy infrastructure assets
- Attractive business profile and earnings and cash flow growth visibility
  - High quality, stable and predictable cash flows
  - Low business risk with nearly 100% of businesses regulated
  - Outstanding low risk growth opportunities



### **Questions & Answers**